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THURSDAY, SEPT. 17, 1885.

TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN

I will state to the public that I have this day sold and conveyed to C. L. Hefner my entire printing office in the town of Savannah formerly used in the publication of the Transcript and other papers.

MRS. VICTOR THOMPSON. Sept. 5, 1885.

In making our debut in journalism we do so, not with the assurance that we will be a perfect success, but as we intend to be considerate in all things and rash in nothing, we have some hope of being able to satisfy a majority of our patrons. We have long aspired to enter this broad field and when this opportunity was offered we were eager to accept it, not that we might be able to assist in the promotion of individuals or par ties, but that we might assist in few of the causes that should an does most interest our people at this day.

ANNOUNCEMENT.

Having purchased the press, type and material recently owned by Mrs. Thompson of the Tennessee Transcript, I propose to issue the SAVAN-MAR COURIER, an entirely new paper. which will be Independent in politics, not advocating the cause of any but always supporting measures of importance to the commonwealth, including Temperance and Educa-

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office to wich our paper may go, and in such capacity.

We have been told that it would at this point, because of the many he found that he had formidable starts and failures that have occured in the past few years, but we think we will have no difficulty. Having ing his time and attention between that we are permanently located, the second year of the war, when, the "New England Game," which and having a few dollars in our coff- his wife's health giving way, he ers to begin with and a few coming vielded to the earnest solicitations in, we feel sure that we will not be of his friends and physicians, and

at thorities. The petitions for and been a very ardent union man duragainst hanging seem to be about ing the fight over the question in evenly divided.

The Pulasks Citizen says;

rather he inclines to believe-that were engaged in it. is to say, he would be of the opinion -at least he thinks that for the present he could not undertake to be able to know how to under stand which way was how

In buying the press, type and fixures of Mrs. Thompson formely used in publishing the Transcript and other papers we did not buy the contracts or ill will of the publishers of these papers; neither is the Cou-RIER & succesor to any of these publications, but an entirely new paper and on a new basis, i.e. one that will last as long as we do.

The Memphis Avalanche says: We congratulate our esteemed con temporary, the Appeal, upon taking its stand among living men, advocating live issues in its publication of and comment on Senstor Jack son's address. Regarding this as the one great living issue of the hour which entolds the future of the South and its moral, political and industrial progress, we hope to see Tennessee bend to this end with undivided forces.

It is a question that reaches higher than any party, beyond the is sues of race, beyond the hour to embrace them all and to reach to th furthess times.

When it comes up in congress we hope to see from Tennesse an undi yided delegation battling for this es sential aid. We hope to see a home an undivided press, unanimous in urging this policy of federal aid to the great cause of education of the masses. Upon success depends the progress of the South and the safety of the country."

The Courier will advocate the ac ceptance of aid for educational purposes, even though it comes fro the coffers of the federal union.

DEATH OF W. H. CHERRY.

Yesterday afternoon about 5 o'clock Mr. W. H. Cherry died at his home in this city, after a prolonged illness. He was conscious to the last, and died peacefully and quietly, with the members of his family around him.

William Harrell Cherry was born at Lowryville, Hardin County, Tenn., about fifteen miles from Savannah. the county seat, Aug. 23, 1822. Eli political ring, click or individual, Cherry, his father, came to this State from North Carolina when a mere lad. He exhibited as a man that calm judgement, firmness of conviction and unswervable integrity which characterized the life of his son. The father of the subject of this sketch married Miss Cynthia Ward of Hardin County, by whom to work for their interest, the proof he had ten children, six of whom are of which will be manifest with each living, and survived their parents. The Cherrys are of Scotch-Irish extraction, the family having settled in North Carolina, where many of period in the history of the State. The deceased, who was the eldest child upon his father's plantation, attended such schools as the country at that time afforded, entering at the age of 19 the "Savannah Male Academy," the principal of which was Hugh R. Shields, a noted educator of that time. Among his classmates here was Wm. Torbert, who has since attained considerable prom We are going to establish corres- inence as a minister in the Cumber pondents and agents at each post- land Presbyterian church. He re-

mained here one year. In the fall of would like to see, or correspond with 1841 he began his actual business parties who have previously acted life as a clerk in the store of John J. Williams, in Savanuah. Young originated in New York city in 1845. By consulting our Announcement Cherry was poor. His father gave when a party of gentlemen so modiyou will find that our paper will be him a negro slave, but he died in a fied the old game of town ball as to non politicat, which will give us a few weeks and his owner was left al- create a new game, to which they change to devote our time to the in- most without a penny to begin the gave the name of base ball. On the seriest of our subscribers. We intend struggle of life. After filling the po- 23d of Sept. of that year these gen to make it the best local paper in sition as clerk for more than a year themen formally organized the the state. In order to do this we he formed a partnership with Geo. Knickerbocker Base Ball Club, and must have help and ask every per- P. Benton, of Savannah, an experi- sciopted a series of playing rules. son in possession of news of a local enced merchant, and bought out his Prior to 1845 a sort of crude base nature to furnish it to us by mail or employer. They secured the stock ball had been played under various and good will of Mr. Williams, and rules, but was but little more than a his guaranty not to engage in business any more for two years. When be difficult for us to establish a paper he did begin at the end of that time

competitors in business.

He remained in Savannah, dividbought all the offic fixtures we feel merchandizing and planting until compelled to discontinue for the spent some time in traveling with want of money. And as we are out his family in Minnessota and New of politics we do not fear having to York. It was at the Savannah resi leave on account of what we say. dence of Mr. Cherry that Gen. Grant Be sure to call on us when in town. made his headquarters after the fall of Fort Donelson and preceding the Reil is bothering the Canadian battle of Shiloh. Mr. Cherry had State politics, and in fact made quite a number of speeches over that section of the State against seres-Senator Harris delivered a forci- sion. So strong were his union conble opinion on the prohibition ques- victions that he could not take part 1863 two important new rules were

> During the latter part of the war Mr. Cherry was engaged in trading to call balls and give the batsman in cotton in West Tennessee and his first base after three had been Paducal, finally going to New York, called. Until Dec. 14, 1864, a fair modifying the physical characteris

board he added to his already large

capital by his shrewd operations. At the close of the war Mr. Cherry went to Memphis and engaged in the banking business, serving for years as president of the Merchant's National bank. The esteem in which Mr. Cherry was held by his associates in business was conveyed in very complimentary resolutions adopted by the directors of the bank on the occasion of his resignation.

which ill health rendered necessary. In 1871 Mr. Cherry moved to Nashville, became a member of the firm of Cherry, O'Connor & Co., aft erward Cherry, Morrow & Co., lessees of the penitentiary, and in this business he remained until a few days before his death, when he sold out to Dr. Morrow.

He was in his early life county clerk of Hardin county for four years, and for seven years trustee of the same county. He was at the time of his death director of the Hecla Coal Company of Kentucky, and of the Tennessee Coal, Iron & Railroad Company, and one of the trustees of the Nashville College for Young Ladies. He was also a member of the firm of W. H. Cherry & Co., who own the cotton and yarn

mills at Mountain Mills, Ala.

He married May 12,1842, Sarah Scott the daughter of David Robinson, a wealty farmer of Hardin county, She died Feb. 5, 1850, at Savapush, and on July 17, 1855, he married in Sa vannah, Annie Maris, the daughter of James Irwin, a prominent merchant of that place. By his marriage with Miss Robinson he had three children. Edgar, born March 19 1843, was educated at Savannah and Purdy Academy, and is now engaged in farming and stock raising on his father's estate in Hardin county. Mr. Cherry's other two children by his first wife died in infancy. By his marriage with Miss Irwin he had three children, one dy ing in infancy. The two living are Mary C., the wife of Hon. James M.

Head, and William Irwin. For forty five years Mr. Cherry has been a member of the Methodist church, and was at the time of his death a steward of the McKendree church .- Nashville Union.

STATE NEWS.

Johnson City is to have a bank with a capital of \$50,000.

Deputy U. S. Marshall Pile who was shot in Fentress County last week is recovering.

Hon. Mike Condon, of Knoxville, is spoken of as the Republican candidrte for Governor.

The livery stable of Lester Broth ers in Nashville, burned down Thurs day night, and twenty horses were consumed in the flames. Total loss about \$20,000.

A Michigan paper mourns because t costs fifty cents more to be a dog n that State than a doctor in Tenessee. The Michigan dog tax is one dollar, and the Tennessee tax on doctors is fifty cents.

MISCELLANEOUS.

ORIGIN OF BASE BALL.

An exchange says base ball really school boy's diversion. The Olympic Club, of Philadelphia, had been organized in 1833, but it played nothing but town ball until 1860, when base ball was adopted in its

In New England about thirty years ago, there was a game called was played with a small, light ball, which was thrown overhand to the bat, while in the New York game of base ball as then played by the Eagle, Knickerbocker, Gotham and Empire Clubs, a large elastic ball

The original rules of the game were very vague and incomplete. The ball was much too large and heavy, being allowed a circumference of 101 inches and a weight of 61 ounces, just an inch in size and an ounce in weight greater than the present stature. limit. There was no limitation to the length of the bat. In the year and the other requiring the umpire

put the striker out, but on the above date the National Association of Base Ball Players did away with the bound catch, except for foul balls and finally adopted the fly game. Forty-five feet was the distance from the pitcher's position to the home plate until 1881, when it was moved five feet further back.

Sick of Texas.

Last Friday we had a call from Mr. W. D. Selson, a young man of Clarke County, who has been living The most refined and most popular ot all the for nine months in Hill County, Texas, in the northern portion of the Eight pages, Forty-eight Columns, State. Mr. Selson says he has Of the choicest original and selected matter enough of the great West, and will he content in the future to cultivate the red hills of old Georgia. He says that Texas is a grand State, and there is a great deal of rich land in its borders, but there, as elsewhere, you must work hard to make a living. His great objection to the State is the uncertainty of the sen ons and crops. If everything hits you will make more than twice your force can gather, and the crops will rot in the fields Good crop years are generally accompanied by sickness, and just at has vest time perhans your entire force is laid up with fever. But when a failure does overtake the crops -and they are of frequent occurrence, too-it is total and exterminating. In twenty four hours he has seen the finest pros pects the eye ever rested on utterly destroyed by grasshoppers, locustand other pests that infest the country. A species of the locust had appeared before he left, and were destroying thousands of acres of cotton daily. But as a general thing this year crops are exceedingly fine. In fact, on his trip home, he saw the most magnificent pros pects in every State. Mr. Selson says that where one man gets rich in Texas perhaps a hundred barely make a support; that the home folks are always informed of the few lucky adventures, but the nume ous poor fellows who are sighing for a chance to get back to the old States are never heard from .- Ga. E.c.

Patagonian Giants.

Fifty years ago the Patagonian were di-cribed in geographics as a race of giants, the correctness of the description was so frequently denied by travelers that the statethe fathers. There was, however, No other medicine can be sold when on, as the following extracts shows.

Careful measurements have been made in recent times, by different observers, of many individuals in various parts of Patagonia. The resuit is that the mean stature of a- Spurlock, Page & Co., dults, of both sexes, is found to be about five feet ten inches.

This mean may seem rather low, but if we compare it with that of France, which is only five feet five inches, and if we consider that for all human kind the statistics give only five feet seven inches we shall perceive that this figure represents in reality a very lotty stature, and makes the Patagonians the tallest race o' men now existing.

Men of six feet three and a hall inches are common among them, and occasionally one is found who reaches six feet six and a half

This, however, is not all. Patagonian, in the upper part of his body, is of a huge build. His frunk and head are large, his chest broad his arms long and muscular,

On horseback, he seems far above the ordinary size of man. When he dismounts, however, it is seen his legs are disproportionately short and slender; they frequently bond out-

His walk is heavy and lumbering These are the well known peculiarities which are found in the Tarters, and in all races of men who spend most of their time, like the Patagonians, on horseback. But it is only a little over two centuries since the horse was introduced into this

The natives who were first seen chased the switt guanaco and os trich over their immense plains on foot. Such activity required long, straight and muscular legs. It is not too much to suppose that the to tal change in their habits of life which has occured since they became a nation of horsemen has detracted at least two inches from their

Adding these lost inches to their present height, we recover the giants who astonished the companions tion the other day. He favors or in the rebellion though his people made, one requiring the pitcher to of Magellan, and vindicated the narstand in a space six feet by three, ratives which later writers have discredited.

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